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Herrick E. Hanks, Manager  
Rio Puerco Resource Area  
Bureau of Land Management  
3550 Pan American Freeway, NE  
P. O. Box 6770  
Albuquerque, New Mexico 87107

Dear Mr. Hanks:

The chemical and radiological analysis for Anaconda's former Jackpile Minesite leases are reported to the Bureau of Land Management on a quarterly basis. The six Surface Water locations are sampled monthly for analysis of 36 different chemical & radiological parameters. A review of the results for the last four years in relation to the concentration for which we monitor and report, indicates that a significant number, nine, of these chemical constituents have never occurred in excess of the limit of detection. This would indicate that these chemical parameters are not a significant portion of the surface water that we monitor and do not pose a hazard to the environment or the health and welfare of plants or animals in the vicinity of the minesite.

We respectfully request that the nine parameters: Arsenic, Cadmium, Chromium, Mercury, Silver, Cobalt, Molybdenum, Vanadium and Phosphate; be excluded from our monitoring requirements.

We appreciate your consideration of this matter. This change, if approved, will allow a significant cost savings to Anaconda.

Sincerely,

*Meade A. Stirland*  
Meade A. Stirland  
General Manager

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*Hold - another  
letter coming, per  
telephone conversation  
w/ Meade Stirland  
on 1/28/85 (11:55 am).  
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